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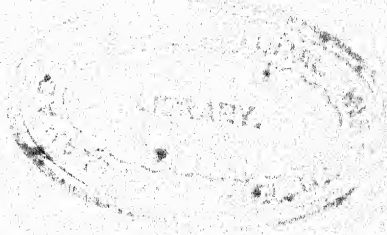
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PREFACE

This booklet has been compiled in response to a desire on the part of some of the students of this Institute to know what kind of prayers are offered by Christians, and also of those who wish to have some prayers at hand for their own use.

Suggestions for use of the booklet.

A prayer is a spontaneous, natural expression of the deep-rooted hopes, desires and ambitions of the soul offered to God. This booklet will not help you much if the prayers are just repeated on various occasions like formulae, and then kept aside. It is suggested that the book be carefully and diligently studied, and then if there are some prayers you like, you should re-read them or learn them. And if you offer a prayer, why not try your best to live up to it always believing that God never fails anybody, and will assuredly give you courage and strength to succeed in your endeavours. It would be better if you write your prayers yourself (and collect them in a bound note-book, to be kept for private use) in your own mother-tongue.

After you have studied this booklet you may be interested in some more devotional books, a list of which is given in the appendix ; but please remember that if you come across any prayer or passage which has helped you, you should enter it in your devotional note-book before you forget about it. If you study the life stories of some great Christian leaders, like St. Francis of Assisi, or Sadhu Sunder Singh, or C. F. Andrews, you will be much benefitted. It is hoped that later on you would like to share your experiences with others. Yes, you will ; even perhaps without realising it.

The amount of material provided herein is not exhaustive. There are many more beautiful and inspiring passages, poems, psalms and hymns available, which you can easily lay your hands on, if you are interested.

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SECTION A

PRAYERS.

1. The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

2. A Prayer of St. Francis.

O Lord, our God, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, let me sow pardon;

Where there is doubt, let me sow faith;

Where there is despair, let me sow hope;

Where there is barrenness, let me sow a garden;

Where there is darkness, let me sow light;

Where there is sadness, let me sow joy.

O Divine Master, grant

That I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive,

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

3. A Meditation on the Lord's Prayer.

Our Father (O Most Merciful Father), who art in heaven, (the earth and the universe is Thy creation, and thou plannest everything): Hallowed be Thy name (and blessed in every heart). Thy Kingdom come (help us so to work, as to bring that time nearer). Thy will be done on earth (and help us always to be ready to obey); as it is in heaven (where the angels, saints, and apostles, and prophets, and all those departed from this life in faith are always praising Thee). Give us this day our daily bread (for our bodies and souls are hungry); and forgive us our trespasses (for we have sinned against Thee and our neighbour), as we forgive those that trespass against us (help us to forgive and forget the wrongs and injuries done to us by others). Lead us not into temptation (leave us not without Thy strength and guidance when we are tempted), but deliver us from evil (for Thy arm is powerful and we can only fall back on Thee, we ourselves cannot resist the evil desires); for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory (and the Majesty, and Dominion) both now, and for ever. *Amen.*

4. A prayer of thanksgiving.

✓ O God, we thank Thee for this universe, our great home; for its vastness and its riches, and for the manifoldness of the life which teems upon it and of which we are part. We praise Thee for the arching sky, and the blessed winds, for the driving clouds, for the constellations on high. We praise Thee for the salt sea, and the running water, for the everlasting hills, for the trees, and for the grass under our feet. We thank Thee for our senses by which we can see the splendour of the morning, and hear the jubilant songs of love, and smell the

breath of the springtime. Grant us, we pray Thee, a heart wide open to all this joy and beauty, and save our souls from being so steeped in care or so darkened by passion that we pass heedless and unseeing when even the thornbush by the wayside is aflame with the glory of God. *Amen.*

5. A prayer of repentance.

O Lord, give us all, we beseech Thee, grace and strength to overcome, every sin; sins of besetment, deliberation, surprise, negligence, omission; sins against Thee, ourselves, our neighbours; sins great, small, remembered and forgotten. *Amen.*

—*Christina Rossetti.*

6. A prayer for forgiveness.

Most gracious God, I thank Thee that Thou canst turn the desert into a garden, and therefore there is hope for me. Destroy the weeds in my garden, and plant in it the fruit-trees of Thy Kingdom. Let there be no waste places in my soul, but may my being be beautiful with Thy grace. *Amen.*

7. A prayer when tempted.

Holy Spirit, I pray that Thou wilt repress the risings of unholy passion and thought. May all ill things be strangled at their birth. Save me lest I so encourage the evil that the encouragement leads to my undoing. *Amen.*

8. A prayer for courage to face temptation.

O God of love, who has formed us for fellowship and not for solitude, deliver us most of all, we beseech Thee, from those temptations which come to us through

our affections and our friendship. Suffer us not through thoughtlessness or wilfulness to lead any child of Thine into sin. May we realise that even in the smallest things no one of us lives to himself. If we are tempted to allow ourselves any indulgence, however innocent, which may be a source of danger to others, help us to recognise this temptation; and when we recognise, to resist. *Amen.*

9. Morning prayers.

(i) Praised be Thou, O God Almighty Ruler, who dost make the day bright with Thy sunshine, and the night with the beams of heavenly fires; listen now to our prayers, and forgive us both our conscious and unconscious sins. Shield us with Thy truth, watch over us with Thy power, save us from all calamity; and give us grace to pass all the days of our life, blameless, holy, peaceful, free from sin, terror and offence. For with Thee is mercy and plenteous redemption, our Lord and God, and to Thee we bring our thanks and praise. *Amen.*

—*Greek Church.*

(ii) The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man; help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day; bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonoured. *Amen.*

—*R. L. Stevenson.*

- (iii) O God, who has in Thy great wisdom prepared for each of us our task to do for Thee, we beseech Thee, honesty and patience, that we may seek to know Thy will for ourselves, and may dedicate ourselves to serve Thee where we are needed. Help us to-day to think wisely, to speak truly, to resolve bravely, to act kindly, and to live purely. Bless us in body and soul, and make us a blessing to our friends. Let the recollection of Thy presence save us from sinning this day and always. *Amen.*
- (iv) O God our Father, we commit ourselves to Thy keeping for the life of this new day. Thou only knowest the experiences that await us. Be Thou at all times our guide and helper. And when the shades of night shall fall upon us, may we have the joy of men who have faced life without flinching, and have freely and generously done their duty. *Amen.*
- (v) Gracious God, I lift mine eyes to Thee in confidence and hope. Let me walk with Thee to-day in close and loving companionship. Let me find my light in Thy counsel, and my strength in Thy grace. Let me love my fellows in the power of Thy love. *Amen.*
- (vi) Enter with us, O God our Saviour, upon the life of this day. Be Thou our companion in all we have to do. In our difficulties grant us guidance; in our weakness send us strength. Help us to do our duty earnestly, to bear our troubles bravely, and

in all things to serve Thee and our fellows with wisdom and cheerfulness. *Amen.*

(vii) To Thy Almighty, and most merciful protection, O Lord, do we commit ourselves for this day. Guard us from all dangers, and especially from all sin. Suggest our thoughts, direct our words, and control our acts. Do Thou so work in us by Thy Spirit that Thy life may be manifest in us, and that in us and through us Thy purposes may be fulfilled. *Amen.*

(viii) O Thou, with whom is the fountain of life, without whom we can do nothing, and whose strength is made perfect in our weakness, give Thy blessing, we pray Thee, to our daily work. All our powers of body and mind are Thine, and we would devote them to Thy service, and to the service of men. Do Thou so inspire us by Thy presence that we may persevere under all difficulty, and triumph over every temptation. Teach us to seek knowledge, but above all to seek that knowledge of Thyself which is life eternal. *Amen.*

(ix) O Almighty Father, who savest our life from destruction and crownest us with mercy and loving-kindness, blessed be Thy Holy name that Thou hast brought us safely through the night, and gathered us together again this morning in health and peace. To Thee be the glory of all the good things we enjoy, for of Thine hand do we receive it. To Thee be the glory of all the good

that we may think or do, for Thy Spirit alone enables us. Give us grace, O God, to praise Thee this day and always in our lives, studying in all things to please Thee and to glorify Thy name. *Amen.*

10. Evening prayers:—

- (i) O Lord God, the strength of those who labour, the repose of those who sleep; grant us a quiet and tranquil night, free from the stain of sin, that with the return of light we may render praise and thanks to Thee. *Amen.*
- (ii) Save us, O God, waking: guard us sleeping: that awake we may watch with Thee, and asleep we may rest in peace. Vouchsafe to keep us this night without sin. *Amen.*
- (iii) Abide with us, Good Lord, this night and for ever. May we lay us down with full trust in Thy goodness and perfect charity with all men, and be raised up again to praise Thee our Lord. *Amen.*
- (iv) Look down, O Lord, from Thy heavenly throne; illuminate the darkness of this night with Thy celestial brightness; and from the sons of light banish the deeds of darkness. *Amen.*

11. A prayer for the sick in the hostels.

O Lord, who dost feel the pain and the suffering of the world, look down upon all sick and suffering persons (especially). Enfold them with Thy love, that in the midst of pain they may find Thy presence. To doctors and nurses grant tender hearts

and healing hands ; and if it be Thy will, give health again in body and in soul, for Thy tender mercies' sake. *Amen.*

12. A prayer for relations.

O Lord, we commend to Thy protection and mercy this night all those friends and relations, who are near and dear to us ; beseeching Thee to supply all their needs, to deliver them in all temptations, to guide them through this life, and to lead them with us into Thy heavenly Kingdom. *Amen.*

13. A prayer of Intercession.

Almighty God,
From the unreal, lead us to the real,
From the darkness, lead us to light,
From death, lead us to immortality. *Amen.*

14. Prayers of Dedication.

(i) O Lord, give us more charity, more self-denial, more likeness to Thee. Teach us to sacrifice our comforts for others, and our likings for the sake of doing good. Make us kindly in thought, gentle in words, generous in deed. Teach us that it is better to give than to receive ; better to forget ourselves than to put ourselves forward ; better to minister, than to be ministered unto. And unto Thee, O God of Love, be glory and praise for ever. *Amen.*

—*Henry Alford.*

(ii) O Lord, the Lord whose ways are right, keep us in Thy mercy from lip service and

empty forms ; from having a name that we live, but being dead. Help us to worship Thee by righteous deeds and lives of holiness ; that our prayers also may be set forth in Thy sight as the incense, and the lifting up of our hands be as an evening sacrifice. *Amen.*

—*Christina Rossetti.*

- (iii) We beseech Thee, O God, that Thou wouldst keep our tongue from evil and our lips from speaking guile ; that as Thy Holy angels ever sing Thy praises in heaven, so with our tongues may we at all times glorify Thee on earth. *Amen.*

—*Roman Breviary.*

- (iv) Grant me, O Lord, purity of lips, a clean and innocent heart, humility, fortitude and patience. Give me the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and strength, the Spirit of knowledge and goodliness, and of Thy fear. Make me ever to seek Thy face with all my heart, all my soul, and all my mind ; grant me to have contrite and humble heart in Thy presence. Most high, eternal and ineffable wisdom, drive away from me the darkness of blindness and ignorance ; most high and eternal Strength, deliver me ; most high and eternal Light, illuminate me ; most high and infinite Mercy, have mercy on me. *Amen.*

—*Galiican Sacramentary, 800 A.D.*

- (v) Almighty and everlasting God, grant that our wills be ever meekly subject to Thy will, and our hearts be ever honestly ready to serve Thee. *Amen.*

—*Roman Breviary.*

- ✓ (vi) Lord, I know not what I ought to ask of Thee ; Thou only knowest what I need ; Thou lovest me better than I know how to love myself. O Father, give to Thy child that which he himself knows not how to ask. I dare not ask either for crosses or consolations ; I simply present myself before Thee ; I open my heart to Thee. Behold my needs which I know not myself ; see and do according to Thy tender mercy. Smite or heal, depress me or raise me up, I adore all Thy purposes without knowing them ; I am silent, I offer myself in sacrifice ; I yield myself to Thee ; I would have no other desire than to accomplish Thy will. Teach me to pray. *Amen.*

—*Francis De la Mothe Fendorf.*

- (vii) Lord, take my lips, and speak through them ; take my mind, and think through it ; take my heart and set it on fire. *Amen.*

—*W. H. H. Aitkin.*

- (viii) Almighty Father, who hast in Thy great wisdom prepared for each one of us our task to do for Thee, grant us, we beseech Thee, honesty and patience, that we may seek to know Thy will for ourselves, and may dedicate our lives to serve Thee where

we are needed. Enlighten the perplexed, strengthen the faint-hearted, rouse the indifferent, and kindle in us all the fire of true devotion. *Amen.*

15. A prayer for humility.

O Christ, kill within me foolish pride, and then raise up within me a nobler pride that will tolerate nothing less than the very best. *Amen.*

16. A prayer for strength to face trials.

O God, my Father, I pray that Thou wouldst keep my feet in the way of truth. Give me the eyes that can discern the falsehood in fascinating error. Give the power to see everything behind the mask, and may I have a clear perception of the wiles of the devil. Lead me not into temptation. *Amen.*

17. A prayer for moral courage.

Lord and King, we pray Thee this day for courage to face unpopularity, courage to declare boldly our convictions, for courage to break with evil habits. Give us strong hearts, that will not fear what any man may say of us or do to us. Give us the courage of soul which can scorn popularity, content to be alone with Thee in the right. Give us, O Lord, Thy spirit of boldness that we may trample on our fears, being strong in Thee, and be courageous. *Amen.*

18. A prayer when discouraged.

Blessed Spirit, I pray that thou will fill my life with the spirit of ceaseless prayer. Let the holy aspiration be rising night and day. Let desire never fail.

Let the holy hunger be never satisfied. Let me be ever craving, and yet ever full. *Amen.*

19. A prayer for truth.

O Lord, in whom is the truth, help us, we entreat Thee, to speak the truth in love, to hate a lie, to eschew exaggeration, inaccuracy, affectation. Yea though tribulation or persecution should arise for the truth's sake, suffer us not to be offended. *Amen.*

—*Christina Rossetti.*

20. A prayer for truth.

Almighty God, who hast sent the Spirit of Truth unto us, that the Truth may make us free, so rule our lives by Thy power, that we may be truthful in word and deed and thought. O keep us, most merciful Saviour, with Thy gracious protection, that no fear or hope may ever make us false in act or speech. Cast out from us all that is false and bring us all into the perfect freedom of Thy truth. *Amen.*

21. A prayer for faith.

O Lord God, in whom we live and move and have our being; open our eyes that we may behold Thy fatherly presence ever about us. Draw our hearts to Thee with the power of Thy love. Teach us to be anxious about nothing; and when we have done what Thou hast given us to do, help us, O God our Saviour to leave the issue to Thy wisdom. Take from us all doubts and distrust; help us to lift our thoughts up to Thee in heaven, and make us to know that all things are possible to those who trust in Thee. *Amen.*

22. A prayer for courage.

Teach us, good Lord, to serve Thee with loyal and steadfast hearts, to give and not to count the cost ; to fight and not to heal the wounds ; to toil and not to seek for rest ; to labour and not to ask for any reward, except that of knowing that we do Thy will. *Amen.*

23. A prayer for courtesy.

Almighty and most merciful Father, who has commanded us that we should love one another, give us also grace to obey. Make us gentle, courteous, and forbearing. Direct our lives so that we may look each to the good of the other in word and deed. And hallow all our friendships by the blessing of Thy Spirit. *Amen.*

24. A prayer for the knowledge of God.

Eternal God, the light of the minds that know Thee, the joy of the hearts that love Thee, and the strength of the wills that serve Thee ; grant us so to know Thee that we may truly love Thee, so to love Thee that we may fully serve Thee, to the honour and glory of Thy Holy name. *Amen.*

25. A prayer for purity.

Most merciful Lord, who hast taught us that the pure in heart shall see God, cleanse our hearts from all impurity. Give us such hatred of all that is evil, and such love of all that is beautiful and strong that may be delivered from temptation and become a strength to others who are tempted. *Amen.*

26. A prayer for humility.

Heavenly Father, who dost bless the meek with a rich inheritance, make me less ready to find fault with

other people and less anxious to gain their good opinion. Let not bitterness and envy take hold of me. Teach me to care only to do the thing that pleaseth Thee, so may Thy loving Spirit lead me into the land of righteousness and peace. *Amen.*

27. A prayer for enemies.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, with-hold not from those who have done us evil anything that may be good for them ; but of Thy grace minister unto them and us, that we may live in charity with each other and all men, to the praise of Thy holy name. *Amen.*

28. A prayer for those in trouble.

O Thou, whose presence is everywhere and whose mercy never faileth, graciously regard all who are in trouble or danger, and especially those known to ourselves—whom we now name in our hearts before Thee. Guide the wanderer, defend the innocent, restore the lost, heal the sick, comfort the bereaved, and receive the spirit of the dying. *Amen.*

29. A prayer for those in sorrow.

O Lord and Master, our help and succour, save those who are in sadness and trouble, be near to all that are desolate or in pain or sorrow tonight... ; and let Thy presence transform their loneliness into comfort, consolation and holy friendship with Thee, Thou pitiful Saviour. *Amen.*

30. A prayer for those who suffer because of war.

Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who in all our affliction art afflicted ; look in pity upon all who

are suffering in this time of warfare. Protect the defenceless, succour the wounded, receive the dying, and console the anxious and bereaved. Turn the heart of our enemies, we beseech Thee, and forgive both them and us for our share in the sin that has brought this anguish on mankind. Open up to us a way of reconciliation and lead us into the path of peace. Through Jesus Christ our only Redeemer. *Amen.*

31. A prayer for peace.

Almighty God, who alone givest wisdom and understanding, inspire with Thy Holy Spirit all to whom is committed the responsibility of government of the nations of the world. Give them the vision of truth, that by their counsels the nations may work together in true brotherhood. *Amen.*

32. A prayer for social unity.

O God, who has taught us that we are members one of another, remove, we pray Thee, from among us all distrust and bitterness in our social relationships; and grant that, seeking all what is just and equal, and caring for the needs of others we may live and work together in unity and love. *Amen.*

33. A prayer for goodwill.

Heavenly Father, I pray for the sweetening of the common life. Remove far from us all the roots of bitterness and ill-will. Remove from us envy and uncharitableness, and make all our relationships the channels of Thy Grace. *Amen.*

34. A prayer for liberty.

O God, our Father, help us to share our liberties with everyone, everywhere, for we know that if we do

not share them we cannot keep them. Help us then to share them. *Amen.*

35. Prayers for guidance.

(i) We praise Thee, O Father, that the things that are hidden from the great ones of the earth are revealed to those who have a humble spirit and a contrite heart. We thank Thee, that while it is impossible with mortal vision to see Thy face, in the truest sense it is given to those who are pure in heart to see God. We thank Thee for the promise of a Kingdom where vision shall be clearer, and we shall come to know the mind of the Lord. So guard our lives from evil that we may be prepared for the time which is to come, when everything that is false and impure shall have passed away. May we hold steadfastly before our eyes the pattern that was made for us when Jesus lived and died untouched by earthly stain; through whose gracious Spirit we offer this petition. *Amen.*

(ii) O Thou, who changest not, the same yesterday, today and for ever; with whom a thousand years are but as yesterday when it is passed and as a watch in the night; we thank Thee that when all about us seems to fail we may put our trust in Thee. Thou who dost bind the changing seasons into the unity of the years, who canst weave the passing years into the pattern of a character, open our eyes to see Thy purposes for us and for Thy world. O Thou

God of law, with whom is no variableness, or shadow that is cast by turning, may we build our lives upon the foundations which Thou hast laid—even Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

- (iii) Govern all by Thy wisdom, O Lord, so that my soul may always be serving Thee as Thou dost will, and not as I may choose. Do not punish me, I beseech Thee, by granting that which I wish or ask, if it offend Thy love, which would always live in me. Let me die to myself, so that I may serve Thee; let me live to Thee, who in Thyself art the True Life. *Amen.*

—*St. Theresa.*

- (iv) Give us clean hands, clean words, and clean thoughts; help us to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong; save us from habits that harm; teach us to work as hard and play as fair in Thy sight alone, as if all the world saw; forgive us when we are unkind; and help us to forgive those who are unkind to us; keep us ready to help others even at some cost to self; send us chances to do a little good every day. *Amen.*

- (v) O God with whom is the Well of Life, and in whose Light we see light; increase in us, we beseech Thee, the brightness of divine knowledge, whereby we may be able to reach Thy plenteous fountain; impart to our thirsting souls the draught of life, and restore to our darkened minds the light from heaven. *Amen.*

—*Mazarabic, before 700 A.D.*

- (vi) O Eternal Wisdom, grant me the Light of Thy Holy Spirit, that I may know what Thou wouldest have me do; I offer myself entirely to Thee; do with me what seemest good in Thy sight; not my will, but Thine, be done; correct whatsoever Thou seest amiss in me; strengthen my weak resolutions; restrain my wayward desires; remove all hindrances to the fulfillment of Thy will; and give me grace so to follow the leadings of Thy providence, that my life may be spent to Thy honour and glory, in whatsoever way it pleases Thee. *Amen.*

—*Treasury of Devotions.*

- (vii) Almighty God, by whose word all things work, by whose guidance all things go, so order our inward lives, that we may be enabled to understand the things that we see; and by Thy guidance in the spiritual life and in charity, so order what there is disordered in our lives, so bring our minds to the truth, our consciences to the law, our eyes to the light, and our hearts to Thy true love, that amidst the seeming discords of life, we may hear the music of the heavenly will, and catch oftentimes the charms of the heavenly order. So give us hope that we may pass on through time, into the higher and better education of the eternal life to come, and that at least we may know those things that are hidden, and which now we cannot know, and learn the

glorious beauty and the glorious loving of
the eternal years *Amen.*

—*George Dawson.*

- (viii) Almighty God, who art over all things, life of all life, stir in our souls, that we, being moved by Thy Spirit, may see those things which are fairest and truest in life, and clinging thereunto, be enabled to get the victory over that which is mean and base ; that so at last, all evil passion and unholy desire, all self-will and contrariness to Thee, may be overcome ; and we come at last to that sublime state of willing obedience, when Thy will shall be in us supreme. Of Thy mercy hear us through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

—*George Dawson.*

- (ix) O God, who art the guide of the humble and the light of them that seek Thee ; grant us, in our doubts and uncertainties the grace to ask what Thou wouldest have us to do ; that the Spirit of wisdom may save us from false choices, and that in Thy light we may see light, and in Thy straight path may not stumble. *Amen.*

36. A prayer for discipleship.

Grant, O Heavenly Father, that we be just and true in all our dealings, strict and conscientious in the discharge of every duty, pure and temperate in every judgment, kind, charitable and courteous in speech and manner towards all men. May the mind of Jesus Christ be formed in us, and may all see that we are his

disciples. Suggest, direct and control all our thoughts, words, and actions Bless all our undertakings. Prosper Thou the work of our hand, and make us a blessing to all around us. *Amen.*

37. A prayer for a cheerful spirit.

O Thou, who art the Sun of Righteousness and the Light Eternal, giving gladness to all, shine upon us both now and ever ; that we may be glad and cheerful in Thee. *Amen.*

38. A prayer for a cheerful spirit.

O Lord, renew our spirits, and draw our hearts unto Thyself, that our work may not be to us a burden, but a delight ; and give us such a mighty love to Thee as may sweeten all our obedience. Let us not serve Thee with the spirit of bondage as slaves, but with the cheerfulness and gladness of children, delighting ourselves in Thee, and rejoicing in Thy work. *Amen.*

—*Benjamin Jenks.*

39. A prayer for obedience.

O God, who hast commanded us to be perfect as Thou our Father in heaven art perfect, put into our hearts, we pray Thee, a continual desire to obey Thy holy will. Teach us day by day what Thou wouldest have us do, and give us grace and power to fulfil the same. May we never from love of ease, decline the path which Thou pointest out, nor from fear of shame, turn away from it. *Amen.*

—*Henry Alford.*

40. A prayer for work.

O Thou, who art never idle, never at a loss, we thank Thee for Thy gift of work. These tasks to which

Thou dost summon us, which we did not choose, and cannot evade ; help us to realise them as opportunities sent by Thee ; and accepting them as Thy will to perform them to Thy glory. Be with us in our study ; in our contact with our fellows ; in our hours of fatigue ; in our moments of temptation. And as we turn to each new task, may we be able to say with our Master, 'My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.' *Amen.*

41. A prayer for enemies.

I offer unto Thee my prayers and intercessions, for those especially, who have in any matter hurt, grieved, or found fault with me, or who have done me any damage or displeasure.

For all those also whom, at any time, I may have vexed, troubled, burdened and scandalized by words or deeds, knowingly or in ignorance ; that Thou wouldest grant us all equally pardon for our sins, and for our offences against each other. *Amen.*

— *Thomas A. Kempis.*

42. Prayers for our college.

- (i) O Thou, who in days past didst put it into the hearts of good men to found this college, for the imparting of sound learning, the building of character and the spread of spiritual truth and knowledge of Thyself, bless our college ; may love, unity and brotherhood be learnt here, may industry, uprightness and courage grow here ; and from this place be sent forth continually a stream of men and women, who shall serve Thee faithfully in Thy world. *Amen.*

- (ii) O God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, make us worthy of our heritage in this home of learning. Quicken our minds in the desire of knowledge, and our hearts in the love of virtue. Deliver us from the fear of that which is new, and from scorn of that which is old. Lead us forward in the spirit of understanding, and confirm us in the confidence that all truth is for our good and to Thy glory. Give to those who teach joy in their task, and to those who learn pleasure in growing wiser. Strengthen us all in body and spirit, by work and play, by fellowship and friendship, so that we may be fitted for our calling in the service of our country and the world. Save us from the sins of sloth, and self-indulgence, conceit and vainglory. Make us honest, diligent and loyal, so that we may do honour to our parents and this our college, and grow up to the limits of our power and capacities, in Thy service, and the service of our fellow men. *Amen.*

43. Prayers for "old" boys and girls.

- (i) Bless, O Heavenly Father, all those brought up here who have gone out into the world, or are now about to go; keep in their hearts the lessons learnt here of truth and honour, friendship and loyalty, fair play and generosity; grant that no misdeed of theirs or evil word may sully the good name of this institution, but that, faithfully serving

God and man, they may repay their nurture. *Amen.*

- (ii) O God, of whose gift alone it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and manful service, we pray Thee to follow with Thy blessing those students who have gone out from among us to serve in the wider arena of life outside these college walls. Strengthen them to meet victoriously all temptation, enable them for the faithful performance of their life work, and may they ever without fear of man follow steadfastly where duty, right and honour lead *Amen.*

44 A prayer for studies.

O God, who hast ordained that whatever is to be desired, should be sought by labour, and who by Thy blessing bringest honest labour to good effect; look with mercy upon my studies and endeavours. Grant me O Lord, to design only what is lawful and right, and afford me calmness of mind, and steadiness of purpose, that I may so do Thy will in this short life, as to obtain happiness in the world to come for the sake of Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

—*Samuel Johnson.*

45. A prayer before beginning a study.

O God, our Father—if we may call Thee thus—as we begin this quest we are haunted with many a biting fear and hesitation and doubt. Help us to face them all, and come out, if possible, on the farther side of them into victorious living. *Amen.*

46. A prayer for help in study.

Keep our hearts, O Lord, in that realm of the spirit where the mind is without fear and the head is held high, where knowledge is wide, where words come from the depths of truth, where tireless striving wins towards perfection, where the clear stream of reason loses not its way but flows on in deeper thought and ever widening action. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of Thy name. *Amen.*

47. A prayer for Bible class.

Blessed Lord, who have caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may in such wise hear, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of life eternal. *Amen.*

48. A prayer for examinees.

O Lord, we beseech Thee, help us in our work today. Give us health of body, clearness of mind, and calmness of spirit. Grant that we may work honestly as unto the Lord, and not unto men; and to those who have been faithful give the fruit of their labour.
Amen.

49. A prayer for all schools.

Prosper, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the work of all schools and colleges. Grant that they who serve Thee therein may set Thy holy will ever before them. May Thy word be a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path, that so being guided by Thy Spirit in all things they may shine as lights in the world in the

several vocations to which they are called, to the glory of Thy holy name. *Amen.*

50. A prayer for schools and colleges.

O God of light and truth, we pray Thee for all schools and colleges, that those who teach in them may be taught of Thee, and those who learn may be guided by Thy Spirit, and instructed of Thy heavenly wisdom.

Amen.

51. A prayer offered to God, at the regular weekly assembly of the Agricultural Institute by Dr. Sam Higginbottom, Principal, on March 2, 1937.

Almighty and everlasting God, sustainer of all that has been created, Thou who art so high and mighty and holy that we are afraid to approach Thee, we dare not, unless Thou hadst encouraged us. We can think of Thee not only as a God of majesty and power, but we can think of Thee as a loving Father who loves his children, desires for them the very best good. It is because we think of Thee not only as the great Creator, but also as a loving Father that we stand in Thy presence now. Thou knowest our weaknesses and our failures. We have disappointed others, but more that that we have disappointed ourselves. We have again and again resolved to do rightly, and we have failed in our resolves, but we come to Thee because we know, that by Thy Holy Spirit, Thou canst strengthen our weak wills, and give us nerve and courage and wisdom. For these things we pray at this time

We pray for India; we thank Thee for her past greatness, but we believe that under Thy guidance her future shall be greater. We ask Thee to help each one

of us so to prepare his life, that he can go out and serve India, and thus by unselfish service, intelligently directed, bring about better conditions than exist today. Do Thou remove all illiteracy and ignorance, the poverty and the pain and the misery of India. Do Thou send forth from among us men and women of goodwill and noble endeavour.

We pray for all the nations of the earth to-day, especially for those nations living in fear of war, and the nations actually at war, where brother fights against brother, and father against son, and mother against daughter. O God, we know that this is not according to Thy will, but is due to the sinfulness and stupidity of men. Thou who didst send Thy Son, the Lord Jesus, to bring peace upon earth, do Thou bring peace in our time, O Lord.

Once again we pray for the homes from which we come. We pray for our parents, friends and loved ones many of whom have undergone sacrifices in order that we might have our opportunity. Grant that we do not disappoint them. If any of our relatives are in any kind of distress of body, mind or spirit, do Thou comfort them.

We pray for the former students of this Institute. Grant that each one in the place where Thou hast set him to work, may work, with honesty, diligence and enthusiasm, bring light into darkness, and bring about more goodwill among his neighbours. We pray Thee to the glory of Thy great name. *Amen.*

52. A Prayer offered to God, at the regular weekly assembly of the Agricultural Institute by Dr. Sam Higinbottom, Principal, on September, 30, 1936.

Almighty and everlasting God, creator, sustainer, and upholder of all that has been made, we once again stand reverently in Thy presence as a group of Thy children. We thank Thee for our creation and our preservation, for the opportunity Thou hast given to us in life to make something of it. We think of Thee also as our Father, as a lover of His children. Do Thou keep each one of us from all harm and danger, seen and unseen. Do Thou strengthen our wills and all the righteous motives and purposes, so that we may live honestly and truly and rightly.

Do Thou bless India at this time. Do Thou direct the minds and thoughts and actions of those upon whom there is the responsibility for the government of this great land. We thank Thee that increasingly Indians are taking their part in this great task. Take away from everyone all sorts of selfishness, all desire for personal gain or personal honour. May each one who has been put in the place of power have the spirit of a servant, that because he is a servant, he is there to serve the needs of the poor and the needy, those who cannot serve themselves. We do pray our Father for the officials of India, that all corruption and illegal gratification may cease. Do Thou rouse public opinion so that men should serve honestly and rightly.

We pray for all schools and colleges, for all technical schools and other institutions of learning of all kinds in India. Do Thou increase their number and their usefulness. Do Thou so order their affairs that every boy and every girl in India shall have a chance

for education. Do Thou make provisions for the multitude of boys and girls who to-day have no chance and opportunity.

We pray also for the world that is distraught and bewildered. Selfish policies seem to have gotten the nations deeper and deeper into troubles and difficulties. Do Thou help them to be less selfish, to show more consideration for their neighbours, to practise more the 'Golden Rule' because without that they cannot recover. Especially do Thou bless Spain at this time, distraught with civil war. Do Thou speedily bring to an end the terror and horror of such a situation. We know that this is not, and cannot be considered a good thing. It is evil when men kill their own brothers. There is no difference between them that they cannot settle with humility and goodwill, with thought and intelligence. So Lord, do Thou show to the people that there is a better way than killing each other.

We pray once again for our own institution. Some of our members are sick ; if it be Thy will, do Thou speedily restore them to health. Do Thou bless the homes from which we come ; our friends and loved ones that are there. So many are making sacrifices in order to enable us to come here to study. Help each one of us then to use each day as a golden opportunity.

We pray for all former students, many of whom write to us as their thoughts turn back to the happy days that they spent in this Institution. Do Thou bless them in their work, and make them a blessing to all with whom they come into contact. May each one have the true spirit of service. May they serve nobly and wisely, so that they shall help this great land of India. We pray this to the glory of Thy great name. *Amen.*

53. A prayer for the election of college and hostel officials.

O God, the source and giver of all wisdom and all good, we pray Thee at this time for Thy guidance as we seek to choose those who shall hold offices in our hostel (or college). Guide us, we pray Thee, to right choice and grant that those who shall be elected to positions of responsibility and leadership may be strong and prudent in the discharge of their duties, and true and tactful in all their dealings; that so our hostel (or college) life with all its social activities and games, may prosper; and encourage all that is manly and righteous, through good fellowship, mutual forbearance and mutual respect; and that through Thy blessing, our time here may be spent happily and that we may be prepared for the wider duties of our future lives. *Amen.*

54. A prayer for college and hostel office-bearers.

Almighty God, who entrusteth to all men their several tasks to do for Thee, when we forget Thee, do not Thou forget us, but grant us Thy continual help that we may be enabled faithfully to do the work committed to us, looking ever unto Thee for light and life and guidance. *Amen.*

55. A prayer for the corporate life of the college or hostel.

O God, our Heavenly Father, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, we beseech Thee to bestow Thy blessing on our college (or hostel). We praise Thee for the heritage into which we have entered, and pray Thee to make us worthy to maintain and strengthen all that is good in our traditions. Give to all who work here the true love of knowledge which makes all

study a discovery, and a joy. May the spirit of loyalty and devotion bind us all more closely together, that we may labour not for our own advantage, but for the common good. May Thy wisdom guide and prosper our work and games, our clubs and societies, that we may grow in the love of all that is true and honest, and of good report. And when we go out into the world may we carry with us the ideal, and the love and power of service which Thou dost give us. *Amen.*

56. A prayer for all college and hostel undertakings.

Lord, we desire to place ourselves, and what we are about to undertake in Thy hands. Guide, direct and prosper us; and if Thou find that this undertaking will be for Thy glory, grant us success. Make us and those who act with us to feel that, unless Thy blessing is with us, we cannot succeed; and that except the Lord build the house, their labour is but lost that build it. Prosper us, then, O Lord, in this and all our doings with Thy most precious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works, begun and continued and ended in Thee, we may give praise to Thy name. *Amen.*

57. A prayer for games.

Grant, O Lord, that we may carry the true spirit of joy into our amusements and recreations. Help us to play the man—to play for the sake of the game and not only with the desire to win; and if we lose, help us to accept our defeats like sportsmen. Grant that we may not be dependent on them for our only means of happiness, nor let them blot out from our minds, the thought of Thee. Help us, with joy to find Thee in all Thy good gifts to us, that they may fit us to serve Thee better. *Amen.*

58. A prayer for our servants.

O God, in whose sight all lives are precious and all service can be noble, we pray Thee to bless those who serve us in this place. Grant that we may treat them even as we should ourselves wish to be treated, and may they find their happiness day by day in work well done.

Amen.

59. A prayer for recreation.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, be with us in our moments of leisure and recreation. Help us to grow up to that stage in our spiritual life, when our work shall become to us our recreation also. *Amen.*

60. For national unity in India.

God of all nations, we beseech Thee to bring that day nearer when our country shall be truly one, when every barrier shall be broken down, when no man shall work for his own selfish good, when no man shall defraud or oppress his neighbour, when no man shall reckon his neighbour worse than himself, when none shall be despised or outcaste, but all shall be free to work in equal manhood for Thee and their country.

Amen.

61. Prayers for our country.

- (i) O God of all the nations, look in mercy, we beseech Thee on this land of India: give wisdom and understanding to its rulers, to those in authority and to all who lead public opinion; give concord and unity to its people, and mutual trust and goodwill to the millions who live within its bounds. In Thy service let them find the way to serve this land. May Thy lifegiving spirit.

move over India, and Thy heavenly light be her guide, so that in peace and justice life may be full and free. *Amen.*

- (ii) O Almighty Father, who dost set men in companies that they may learn to think little of private advantage and may ever seek the common good, we pray Thee for this great land in which we dwell; may the memory of its past ever inspire us; may its present need be ever present to us; and its future welfare be our constant prayer and aim. Have compassion on its toiling multitudes. Root out superstition, corruption and despair. Grant that we may bear a man's part in the work that is yet to do, and of Thy mercy heal our divisions, and make us one as Thou art one. *Amen.*

✓ 62. For public life of our country.

O God, who rulest over all, inspire and purify, we pray Thee, the public life of our land. Grant wisdom to those who frame our laws, honesty and a due sense of responsibility to all who administer them. Guide those who speak where many listen, and write what many read. Raise up men of character and vision who may lead our people fearlessly in the ways of righteousness and truth; so that poverty, ignorance and crime may be overcome, and our country stand among the nations of the world, united, happy and free. *Amen.*

✓ 63 A prayer for leaders.

God of our fathers, and our fathers' fathers who in the crisis of our national history hast raised up leaders

who through faith in Thee have found courage to dare, and strength to persevere, be with us to-day in our hour of national responsibility. Forgive us our self-satisfaction and our self-indulgence, our love of money and our love of pleasure, our readiness to condemn others and to excuse ourselves. Grant us candour to discern. Thy will for us as a nation, and resolution to follow it; and at this time of the world's need raise up for us, we beseech Thee, leaders to go before us into the promised land. *Amen.*

64. A prayer for the nation.

O God, Thou great Ruler of all the world, strengthen the sense of duty in our political life. Grant that the servants of the state may feel more deeply that any diversion of their public powers for private ends is a betrayal of their country. Purge our cities and our nation of the deep causes of corruption which have so often made sin profitable and uprightness hard. Bring to an end the stale days of party cunning. Breathe a new anspirit into all our people. Lift us from the dust and mire of the past that we may gird ourselves for a new day's work. Give our leaders a new vision of the possible future of our country and set their hearts on fire with large resolves. Raise up a new generation of public men, who will have the faith and daring of the Kingdom of God in their hearts, and who will enlist for life in a holy warfare for the freedom and rights of the people. *Amen.*

65. A prayer for our city.

O God, grant us a vision of our city, fair as she might be; a city of justice, where none shall prey on others; a city of plenty, where vice and poverty shall

cease to fester ; a city of brotherhood, where all success shall be founded on service, and honour shall be given to nobleness alone ; a city of peace, where order shall not rest on force, but on the love of all for the city, the great mother of common life and weal. Hear, O Lord, the silent prayers of all our hearts, as we pledge our time and strength and thought to speed the day of her coming beauty and righteousness. *Amen.*

—*Walter Rauschenbusch.*

66. A prayer for social justice, and brotherhood.

O God, our Father, increase in every nation the sense of human brotherhood ; true respect for man and woman ; loyalty in service and charity, happiness in work, and justice in reward ; that our homes may be kept safe and pure, our cities renewed in beauty and order, and all the world may reflect the radiance of Thy throne in heaven. *Amen*

67. A prayer for international problems.

Father of all men, grant that all men everywhere may come to realize that the one solution of international rivalries, and the one guarantee of abiding peace is in obedience to Thy will. *Amen.*

68. A prayer to give us day by day our daily bread.

Giver of every good and perfect gift, feed us this day with the food we need ; food for our bodies, food for our minds, food for our affections and our loyalty. As we are nourished and sustained by the bread Thou givest, may we remember all those who hunger and thirst, are weary and heavy-laden. Hasten the day when Thy Kingdom shall come and Thy will be done

in all human relationships—in the factory and the farm, in the bank and the store, as well as the home and the school. May we do our part to hasten that better day, remembering that all we have we hold in trust for Thee, and for our neighbour who represents Thee.

Amen.

69. Prayers for the Kingdom.

- (i) Soften our hearts, O Lord, that we may be moved no less at the necessities and griefs of our neighbours than if they concerned ourselves or the cases that touched us nearest, and let us think them to befall even to our dearest friend. Let us pity them as ourselves, and in their adversity let us have compassion on them, that, as we would have pitied ourselves for the like cause, so we may be moved with pity towards those whom we see oppressed with the same adversities. *Amen.*

—*Ludovicus Vives.*

- (ii) O Thou who art Love, and who seest all the suffering, injustice and misery which reign in this world, have pity, we implore Thee, on the work of Thy hands. Look mercifully on the poor, the oppressed and all who are heavy laden with error, labour and sorrow. Fill our hearts with deep compassion for those who suffer, and hasten the coming of Thy Kingdom of Justice and Truth. *Amen.*

—*Eugene Bersier.*

70. A prayer before meals.

Father, we thank Thee for this food ; grant this blessing to all the poor and the hungry around us ; and fill our soul with the Bread of Life. For Christ's sake.
Amen.

71. A Prayer of Commemoration.

Before Thee, O Heavenly Father, we remember those who have passed from our midst into the fuller light of Thy eternal presence. We thank Thee for their loyalty to duty, and their power of self-surrender, and for the discipline by which Thou hast made them fit in a short time for the higher service in Thy Kingdom. May we have the assurance of their continued fellowship in Thee, and realise that there is no separation between those that love, even though conversation and communion be no longer possible according to flesh. Hear, O God our Father, the prayers that follow our beloved ones upon their unseen way, and grant that both we and they, in every condition Thy wisdom ordains may grow and continue in the knowledge of Thee, which alone is Eternal Life. *Amen.*

72. Prayers of Benediction.

- (i) The Lord bless thee, and keep thee ;
The Lord make His face to shine upon thee ;
And be gracious unto thee.
The Lord lift up the light of His countenance
upon thee,
And give thee peace, now and for evermore.
Amen.

(ii) Now unto Him who is able to keep you from falling, and present you faultless before the presence

of His glory, with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and for ever. *Amen.*

SECTION B.

LITANIES FOR GROUP WORSHIP.

1. A Litany of Adoration.

Leader: O God of Grace, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, deliver us from coldness of heart, and wandering of mind; that with steadfast thoughts we may adore Thee; and with contrite prayers we may obtain that mercy which we need.

Create in us a clean heart, O God.

People: And renew a right spirit within us.

Leader: Cast us not away from Thy presence.

People: And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

Leader: Restore unto us the joy of Thy salvation.

People: And uphold us with Thy free Spirit.

Leader: O Lord, open Thou our lips.

People: And our mouths shall show forth Thy praise.
Amen.

2. A Litany of thanksgiving.

Leader:—For Thy love bestowed upon us in our family and home, and in all we love best.

People:—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader:—For Thy care towards us received through friends, and all who have been kind to us.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For Thy gifts of leisure, opportunity and freedom from anxiety so freely bestowed upon us.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For Thy beauty and refreshing mercy in the loveliness of nature and the handiwork of man.

People :—We thank, Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For the ties that bind us to the unseen world, and for the faith that brightens the saddest moments of life with the light of eternal hope.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord

Leader :—For the work of Thy Spirit in the history of the world and our own country, through its heroes and leaders.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For the work of Thy Spirit in science and commerce, in literature, and art.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For the work of Thy Spirit in the growing desire for true brotherhood between men of every class and nation.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For the work of Thy Spirit in the deepening sense of human worth in all nations and class, in the growing reverence for womanhood and children.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For martyrs and confessors, for all who have chosen poverty for Thy sake; for all men of prayer; and for all saints in common life.

People :—We thank Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—For all suffering dared and endured for noble ends, and for all pain bravely borne and turned to patience of character and purity of life.

All :— For these and all Thy mercies, so generously given, we thank Thee, O Lord.
Amen.

3 The Law of Love.

Leader :—Jesus said : Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

All :— Lord, have mercy upon us and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Leader :—And the second is like unto it : Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

All :— Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Leader :—And Jesus said : A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, even as I have loved you ; that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye love one another.

All :— Lord, have mercy upon us, and help us to love as Christ has loved.

Leader :—Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God. He that loveth not, knoweth not God, for God is love

And this commandment have we from Him, that he who loveth God, love his brother also.

Love worketh no ill to his neighbour ; love therefore is the fulfilment of the law.

All :— Lord, have mercy upon us, and help us to fulfil the law of Christ.

Leader :—Hereby know ye love : because he laid down his life for us. Whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him ?

Beloved, let us not love in word, but in deed and truth.

All : Lord, have mercy upon us, and help us to love in deed and truth.

4. A Litany of Character

Leader :—O Lord, open Thou our minds to see ourselves as Thou seest us, or even as others see us and we see others ; and from all unwillingness to know our infirmities.

All :— Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—From infirmity of purpose ; from want of earnest care and interest ; from the sluggishness of indolence ; and the slackness

of indifference ; and from all spiritual dead-
ness of heart.

All:— Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee,
O Lord.

Leader:— From the dullness of conscience ; from feeble
senses of duty ; from thoughtless disregard
of consequences to others ; from a low
ideal of obligations to our calling ; and
from all half-heartedness in service.

All:— Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee,
O Lord.

Leader:— From self-conceit and vanity and boasting ;
from delight in supposed success and
superiority, and from all the harms and
hindrances of offensive manners and self-
assertion.

All:— Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee,
O Lord.

Leader:— From love of flattery, from overready belief
in praise ; from dislike of criticism and
hatred of independence ; from the com-
fort of self-deception in persuading our-
selves that others think better than the
truth of us.

All:— Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee,
O Lord.

Leader:— For all hasty utterances of impatience ; from
the retort of irritation and the taunt of
sarcasm ; from all infirmity of temper in
provoking, or being provoked ; from love
of unkind gossip ; and from all idle words
that may do harm.

All :—Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Leader :—Give us knowledge of ourselves, our powers and weaknesses, our spirit, our sympathy, our imagination, our knowledge, our truth ; teach us by the standards of Thy Word, by the judgments of others, by examination of ourselves give us earnest desire to strengthen ourselves continually by study, by diligence, by prayer and meditation ; and from all fancies, delusions, and prejudices of habit, or temper, or society, deliver us, O merciful Lord.

Chiefly, O Lord, we pray Thee give us knowledge of Thee, to see Thee in all Thy works, always to feel Thy presence near, and to hear Thy call. *Amen.*

5. A Social Litany

Leader :—From the sins that divide us ; from all class bitterness and race hatred ; from forgetfulness of Thee, and indifference to our fellow men.

All :— O Heavenly Father, deliver us

Leader :—From refusing to share the sufferings of the world ; from forgetting the pains and sorrows of others.

All :— O Heavenly Father, deliver us.

Leader :—From seeking comfort and pleasure, from avoiding burdens and neglecting duties.

All :— Oh Heavenly Father, deliver us.

Leader :—From the selfishness, which brings needless sorrow to others.

All :— O Heavenly Father, deliver us.

Leader :—From the corruption of the franchise, and of evil government ; from greed and from the arbitrary love of power.

All :— O Heavenly Father, deliver us.

Leader :—From the fear of unemployment, and the evils of overwork ; from the curse of child labour, and the ill-paid toil of women.

All :— O Heavenly Father, deliver us.

Leader :—From the luxuries that enervate ; from the poverty that stultifies.

All :— O Heavenly Father, deliver us.

Leader :—That it may please Thee to unite the inhabitants of every city, state and nation in the bonds of peace and concord.

All :— We pray Thee to hear our prayer, O most gracious Lord.

6. A Litany for the Unfortunate

Leader :—Almighty Father, who art afflicted in the affliction of Thy people, and art full of compassion and tender mercy, hear us as we pray Thee for those who suffer.

All :— We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

Leader :—For all who are handicapped in the race of life through no fault of their own ; for

the defective and the delicate ; and those who have been permanently injured through the war.

All :— We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

*Leader :—*For those, whose livelihood is insecure ; the overworked, the hungry and the destitute ; for those who have been downtrodden, ruined and driven to despair.

All :— We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

*Leader :—*For little children, whose surroundings hide from them Thy love and Thy beauty, and for all the fatherless and orphans, and widows.

All :— We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

*Leader :—*For those who have to bear their burdens alone ; for the prisoners of war ; and for all who have lost whom they love.

All :— We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

*Leader :—*For those who suffer through their own wrong doing.

All :— We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord

*Leader :—*For those who are in doubt and anguish of soul ; for those who are over-sensitive and afraid ; for those whose suffering is unrelieved by the knowledge of Thy love.

All :— O Lord, bless all these according to their several necessities, we pray Thee. *Amen.*

SECTION C.

HELPFUL PASSAGES FROM THE BIBLE

Finally brethren,
Whatsoever things are true,
Whatsoever things are honest,
Whatsoever things are just,
Whatsoever things are pure,
Whatsoever things are lovely,
Whatsoever things are of good report ;
If there be any virtue,
And if there be any praise.
Think on these things.

—ST. PAUL.

The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit : for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn : for they shall be comforted

Blessed are the meek : for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness : for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful : for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart : for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers : for they shall be called the sons of God

Blessed are they that have been persecuted for righteousness' sake : for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven

—ST. MATTHEW.

About Love.

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not Love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not Love, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not Love, it profiteth me nothing.

Love suffereth long, and is kind; Love envieth not; Love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquities, but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Love never faileth; but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

—ST. PAUL.

Love of God.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written: For Thy sake we are killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us .

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

—ST. PAUL.

Real Service.

Wash you, make you clean ; put away the evils of your doings from before mine eyes ; cease to do evil ;

Learn to do well ; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

Come now and let us reason together, saith the Lord : though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow ; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land :

But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword : the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

—ISAIAH.

The Greatest Commandments.

And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, which is the first commandment of all ?

And Jesus answered him, the first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel ; The Lord our God is one Lord :

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength : this is the first commandment.

The second is this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these.

—ST. MARK.

Conduct of Life.

(1) Put on therefore as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering ;

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any : even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts ; to the which also ye are called in one body ; and be ye thankful

Let the word of the Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom ; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

—ST. PAUL.

Conduct of Life.

And having gifts differing according to the grace that was given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of our faith ; or ministry, let us give ourselves to our ministry ; or he that teacheth to his teaching ;

Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation : he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity ; he that ruleth, with diligence ; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil ; cleave to that which is good.

Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love ; in honour preferring one another.

—ST. PAUL.

Real Sacrifice.

Wherewith shall I come before the Lord ; and bow myself before the high God ? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old ?

Will the Lord be pleased with the thousand of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil ? shall I give my first born for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul ?

To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me ? saith the Lord : I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts ; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he-goats.

And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you : yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear : your hands are full of blood.

He hath showed thee, O man, what is good ; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God ?

—MICAH AND ISAIAH.

About Leaders and Statesmen.

For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Fruit of the Spirit.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance : against such there is no law.

Mizpah.

For he said, "The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another".

Some other helpful passages from the Bible

Isaiah : Chapter XI, 1—9 ; Chapters XL, LV and LVIII.

Lamentations Chapter V.

Proverbs Chapter III.

Ecclesiastes Chapter XII.

St. Mathew Chapter XXV, 31-46 (about the day of Judgment).

Chapter XX, 25-28 (about ambition).

St. Luke Chapter II, 1-20 (message of the birth of Christ).

I John Chapters II and III.

I Corinthians Chapter XV.

SECTION D

PSALMS

PSALM 1

Blessed is the man,
That walketh not in the counsel of the wicked.
Nor standeth in the ways of sinners,
Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
But his delight is in the law of the Lord ;
And in His law doth he meditate day and night.
And he shall be like a tree planted by the streams of water.
That bringeth forth its fruit in its season ;
Whose leaf also doth not wither ;
And in whatsoever he doth, he shall prosper.
The wicked are not so ;
But are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.
Therefore the wicked shall not stand in the judgment,
Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous :
But the way of the wicked shall perish.

PSALM 19

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the
firmament sheweth his handiwork.

Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night
sheweth knowledge.

There is no speech or language, where their voice
is not heard.

Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun.

Which is as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it : and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart : the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever : the judgment of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold : sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is Thy servant warned : and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Who can understand his errors ? Cleanse Thou me from secret faults.

Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins : let them not have dominion over me : then shall I be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer.

PSALM 23.

The Divine Shepherd and Guide

The Lord is my shepherd : I shall not want ;

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures :

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul :

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me ;

Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies ;

Thou annointest my head with oil ; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

PSALM 51.

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness : according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my transgressions : and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight that thou mightest be justified when Thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.

Behold I was shapen in iniquity ; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Behold, thou desireth truth in the inward parts : and in the hidden part, thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Make me to hear joy and gladness ; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God ; and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy holy spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation ; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Then will I teach transgressors thy ways ; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation ; and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.

O Lord, open thou my lips ; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

For thou desirest not sacrifice ; else would I give it : thou delightest not in burnt offering.

The sacrifices of God are a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou will not despise.

Do good in Thy great pleasure unto Zion ; build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Then shalt thou be pleased with sacrifices of righteousness ; with burnt offering and whole burnt offering : then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar.

PSALM 67.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us ; and cause His face to shine upon us ;

That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise Thee, O God ; let all the people praise Thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for Thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise Thee, O God ; let all the people praise Thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase : and God, even our God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us ; and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

PSALM 90.

A Prayer of Moses—the man of God.

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hast formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction ; and sayest,
Return, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as
yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

Thou carriest them away as with a flood : they are
as a sleep : in the morning they are like grass which
groweth up.

In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up ;
in the evening it is cut down and withered.

The days of our years are three score years and
ten, and if by reason of strength they be four score
years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow : for it is
soon cut off, and we fly away.

So teach us to number our days, that we may
apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Make us glad according to the days wherein Thou
hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen
evil.

Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants, and Thy
glory unto their children.

And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon
us : and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us :
yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it.

PSALM 121

A Farewell Prayer.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence
cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made
heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper : the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Some other psalms worth study.

27, 34, 84, 91, 103, and 139.

SECTION E

HYMNS

The Heavens Declare Thy Glory

1. The heavens declare Thy glory,
The firmament Thy power ;
Day unto day the story
Repeats from hour to hour ;
Night unto night replying,
Proclaims in every land,
O Lord, with voice undying,
The wonders of Thy hand.
2. The sun with royal splendour
Goes forth to chant Thy praise ;
And moon-beams soft and tender
Their gentler anthem raise ;

O'er every tribe and nation,
That music strange is poured,
The song of all creation,
To Thee, creation's Lord.

3. How perfect, just, and holy
The precepts Thou hast given,
Still making wise the lowly,
They lift the thought to heaven :
How pure, how soul restoring
Thy Gospel's heavenly ray,
A brighter radiance pouring
Than noon of brightest day.
4. All heaven on high rejoices,
To do its Maker's will ;
The stars with solemn voices
Resound Thy praises still ;
So let my whole behaviour,
Thoughts, words and action, be,
O Lord, my strength, my Saviour,
One ceaseless song to Thee.

—REV. THOMAS R. BRISKS.

2. **A Morning Hymn of Worship.**

1. Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God Almighty :
Early in the morning our song shall rise to
thee ;
Holy, Holy, Holy : Merciful and mighty :
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity :
2. Holy, Holy, Holy : all the Saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around
the glassy sea ;

Cherubim and Seraphim falling down before
thee

Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be

3. Holy, Holy, Holy : though the darkness hide
thee,

Though the eyes of sinful man thy glory
may not see,

Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God Almighty :
All thy works shall praise thy name, in
earth, and sky, and sea.

Holy, Holy, Holy : Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

—BISHOP R. HEBER.

PSALM 103.

3. A Song of Praise and Adoration.

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven ;
To his feet thy tribute bring
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing ?
Praise him : Praise him :
Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress ;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him : Praise him :
Glorious in his faithfulness.

3. Father-like, he tends and spares us ;
Well our feeble frame he knows ;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him : Praise him :
Widely as his mercy flows.
4. Angels, help us to adore him ;
Ye behold him face to face :
Sun and moon bow down before him ;
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him : Praise him :
Praise with us the God of grace.

—H. F. LYTE

4. A Hymn of Thanksgiving

1. Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices ;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is our today.
2. O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us ;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son and him who reigns,
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore ;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

—M. RINKART

(Translated by C. Winkworth.)

PSALM 110.

5. A Hymn of Praise

1. All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice ;
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him, and rejoice.
2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,
Without our aid he did us make ;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.
3. O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto ;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.
4. For why ? The Lord our God is good :
His mercy is for ever sure ;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel-host
Be praise and glory evermore.

—W. KETHE,
Daye's Psalter.

6. A Hymn of Praise

1. The spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.
The unwearied sun from day to day
Does his creator's power display,
And publishes to every land
The works of an almighty hand.
2. Soon as the evening shades prevail
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,
And nightly to the listening earth
Repeats the story of her birth ;
Whilst all the stars that round her burn,
And all the planets in their turn,
Confirm the tidings, as they roll,
And spread the truth from pole to pole.
3. What though in solemn silence all
Move round the dark terrestrial ball ;
What though nor real voice nor sound
Amid their radiant orbs be found ;
In reason's ear they all rejoice,
And utter forth a glorious voice ;
For ever singing as they shine,
"The hand that made us Divine".

7. A Hymn of Praise

1. For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies :

Chorus : Christ our God, to thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

2. For the beauty of the hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light :
3. For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and brains delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight :
4. For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild ;
5. For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven ;

—F. S. PIERPOINT.

8. All Hail the Power of Jesu's Name

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name ;
Let angels prostrate fall ;
Bring forth the royal diadem
To crown him Lord of all.

2. Crown him, ye morning stars of light,
Who fixed this floating ball ;
Now hail the Strength of Israel's might,
And crown him Lord of all.
3. Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,
Who from this altar call ;
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
And crown him Lord of all.
4. Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call ;
The God incarnate, Man divine,
And crown him Lord of all.
5. Sinners, whose love can Ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.
6. Let every tribe and every tongue
To him their hearts enthrall,
Lift high the universal song,
And crown him Lord of all.

PSALM 90.

9. O God, Our Help in Ages Past :

1. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home ;
2. Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure ;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages in thy sight,
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away ;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.
6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

—ISAAC WATTS.

10. A Hymn of Worship and Thanksgiving

1. When all thy mercies, O my God,
My rising soul surveys,
Transported with the view, I'am lost
In wonder, love, and praise.
2. Unnumbered comforts to my soul
Thy tender care bestowed,
Before my infant heart conceived
From whom those comforts flowed.

3. When in the slippery paths of youth
With heedless steps I ran,
Thine arm unseen conveyed me safe,
And led me up to man.
4. When worn with sickness oft hast thou
With health renewed my face ;
And when in sins and sorrows sunk,
Revived my soul with grace.
5. Through every period of my life
Thy goodness I'll persue,
And after death in distant worlds
The glorious theme renew.
6. Through all eternity to thee
A joyful song I'll raise ;
For O ; eternity's too short
To utter all thy praise.

—J. ADDISON.

11. The Story of Christmas.

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The Angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.
2. 'Fear not,' said he (for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind) ;
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.
3. 'To you in David's town this day
Is born of David's line
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord ;
And this shall be the sign :

4. 'The heavenly Babe you there shall find
To human view displayed,
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
And in a manger laid.'
5. Thus spake the Seraph : and forthwith
Appeared a shinning throng
Of angels praising God, who thus
Addressed their joyful song :
6. 'All glory be to God on high;
And to the earth be peace ;
Good-will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease.'

12. A Christmas Message.

1. Hark : the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King ;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled :
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem :
Hark : the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.
2. Christ, the highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a virgin's womb :
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity :
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace :
Hail the Sun of Righteousness :
Light and life to all he brings
Risen with healing in his wings ;

Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

—CHARLES WESLEY, G. WHITEFIELDS
AND OTHERS.

13. A Meditation on the Suffering of Christ.

1. When I survey the wondrous Cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God ;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down ;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown ?
4. His dying crimson like a robe,
Spreads o'er his body on the Tree ;
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.

5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small ;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

— ISAAC WATTS.

14. An Easter Hymn.

1. Alleluya ; Alleluya ; Alleluya.
The strife is o'er, the battle done ;
Now is the Victor's triumph won ;
O let the song of praise be sung :
Alleluya.
2. Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed ;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst :
Alleluya.
3. On the third morn he rose again
Glorious in majesty to reign ;
O let us swell the joyful strain :
Alleluya.
4. Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live and sing to thee :
Alleluya.

15. A Harvest Hymn.

1. We plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand :

He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain :

Chorus : All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.

2. He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far,
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star.
The winds and waves obey him,
By him the birds are fed ;
Much more to us, his children,
He gives our daily bread.
3. We thank thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good ;
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
For all thy love imparts,
But that which thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts.

16. For Grace and Courage to face Temptation.

1. Jesus, Lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high :

Hide me, O my Saviour hide,
Till the storm of life is past ;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

2. Other refuge have I none ;
Hangs my helpless soul on thee ;
Leave, ah : leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
All my help from thee I bring ;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of thy wing.
3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want ;
More than all in thee I find ;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name ;
I am all unrighteousness ;
False and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.
4. Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin ;
Let the healing streams abound ;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art :
Freely let me take of thee ;
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.

—CHARLES WESLEY.

17. For all the Faithful, Departed from this Life.

1. How bright these glorious spirits shine :
 Whence all their white array ?
How came they to the blissful seats
 of everlasting day ?
2. Lo : these are they from sufferings great
 Who came to realms of light
And in the Blood of Christ have washed
 Those robes that shine so bright.
3. Now with triumphal palms they stand
 Before the throne on high,
And serve the God they love amidst
 The glories of the sky.
4. Hunger and thirst are felt no more,
 Nor sun with scorching ray ;
God is their sun, whose cheering beams
 Diffuse eternal day.
5. The Lamb, which dwells amid the throne,
 Shall o'er them still preside,
Feed them with nourishment divine,
 And all their footsteps guide.
6. In pastures green he'll lead his flock
 Where living streams appear ;
And God the Lord from every eye
 Shall wipe off every tear.

—ISAAC WATTS AND OTHERS.

18. The Prospect of Death.

1. Abide with me ; fast falls the eventide ;
 The darkness deepens ; Lord, with me abide :
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
 Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day :
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away ;
Change and decay in all around I see ;
O thou who changest not, abide with me.
 3. I need thy presence every passing hour ;
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power ?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be ?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.
 4. I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless ;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting ? where, grave, thy victory ?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.
 5. Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes ;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.
- H. F. LYTE.

19. Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

1. God the Omnipotent : King, who ordainest
Great winds Thy clarions, lightnings Thy sword :
Show forth Thy pity on high where Thou reignest ;
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
2. God the All-merciful : earth hath forsaken
Meekness and mercy, and slighted Thy word ;
Bid not Thy wrath in its terrors awaken ;
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
3. God the All-righteous One : man hath defied Thee ;
Yet to eternity standeth Thy word ;
Falsehood and wrong shall not tarry beside Thee ;
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

4. God the all-wise : by the fire of Thy chastening,
Earth shall to freedom and truth be restored ;
Through the thick darkness Thy Kingdom is hastening ;
Thou wilt give peace in Thy time, O Lord.
5. So shall Thy children, with thankful devotion,
Praise Him who saved them from peril and sword,
Singing in chorus, from ocean to ocean,
Peace to the nations, and praise to the Lord.

20. City of God.

1. These things shall be ; A loftier race
Than e'er the world hath known shall rise,
With flame of freedom in their souls
And light of science in their eyes.
2. They shall be gentle, brave and strong
To spill no drop of blood, but dare
All that may plant man's lordship firm,
On earth and fire and sea and air.
3. They shall be simple in their homes,
And splendid in their public ways,
Filling the mansions of the state,
With music and with hymns of praise.
4. Nation with nation, land with land,
Inarmed shall live as comrades free ;
In every heart and brain shall throb
The pulse of one fraternity.
5. Woman shall be man's mate and peer
In all things strong and fair and good,
Still wearing on her brows the crown
Of sinless, sacred motherhood.

6. New arts shall bloom of loftier mould
And mightier music thrill the skies ;
And every life shall be a song,
When all the earth is paradise.

—J. A. SYMOND.

21. Brotherhood.

1. O, Brother man, fold to thy heart thy brother
Where pity dwells the peace of God is there
To worship rightly is to love each other,
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.
2. Follow with reverent steps the great example
Of Him whose holy work was good :
So shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple,
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.
3. Then shall all shackles fall : the stormy clangour
Of wild war music o'er the earth shall cease ;
Love shall tread out the baneful fire of anger,
And in its ashes plant the tree of peace.

—J. W. WHITTIER.

22. Land Of Our Birth, We Pledge To Thee.

1. Land of our birth, we pledge to thee
Our love and toil in the years to be ;
When we are grown and take our place
As men and women of our race.
2. Father of heaven who lovest all,
O help thy children when they call,
That they may build from age to age
An undefiled heritage.

3. Teach us to bear the yoke in youth,
With steadfastness and careful truth ;
That in our time thy grace may give
The truth whereby the nations live.
4. Teach us to rule ourselves always,
Controlled and cleanly night and day ;
That we may bring, if need arise,
No maimed or worthless sacrifice.
5. Teach us to look in all our ends
On thee for judge, and not our friends :
That we, with thee, may walk uncowed
By fear or favour of the crowd.
6. Teach us the strength that cannot seek,
By deed or thought, to hurt the weak ;
That under thee we may possess
Man's strength to comfort man's distress.
7. Teach us delight in simple things,
And mirth that has no bitter springs ;
Forgiveness free of evil done,
And love to all men 'neath the sun.
8. Land of our birth, our faith, our pride,
For whose dear sake our fathers died ;
O Motherland, we pledge to thee
Head, heart, and hand through the years to be.

—RUDYARD KIPLING.

(The first and last verses may be omitted in singing.)

23. The Path to choose

1. Once to every man and nation
Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side :
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
Offering each the bloom or blight ;
And the choice goes by for ever
'Twixt that darkness and that light.
2. Then to side with truth is noble,
When we share her wretched crust,
Ere her cause bring fame and profit,
And 'tis prosperous to be just ;
Then it is the brave man chooses,
While the coward stands aside,
Till the multitude make virtue
Of the faith they had denied.
3. By the light of burning martyrs,
Christ, thy bleeding feet we track,
Toiling up new Calvaries ever
With the cross that turns not back,
New occasions teach new duties ;
Time makes ancient good uncouth ;
They must upward still and onward
Who would keep abreast of truth.
4. Though the cause of evil prosper,
Yet 'tis truth alone is strong ;
Though her portion be the scaffold,
And upon the throne be wrong,

Yet that scaffold sways the future,
And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above his own.

—R. J. LOWELL.

24. Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life.

1. Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear Thy voice, O Son of Man.
2. In haunts of wretchedness and need,
On shadowed thresholds dark with fears
From paths where hide the lures of gold
We catch the visions of Thy tears.
3. From tender childhood's helplessness,
From woman's grief, man's burdened toil,
From famished souls, from sorrow's stress,
Thy heart has never known recoil.
4. O Master, from the mountain side,
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain ;
Among these restless throngs abide,
O tread the city's streets again.
5. Till sons of men shall learn Thy love,
And follow where Thy feet have trod ;
Till glorious from Thy heaven above
Shall come the City of our God.

—FRANK M. NORTH.

25. This is My Father's World.

1. This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings,
The music of the spheres ;
This is my Father's world :
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas ;
His hand the wonders wrought
2. This is my Father's world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world ;
He shines in all that's fair ;
In the rustling grass, I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.
3. This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget,
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world :
The battle is not done,
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heaven be one.

—REV. M. D. BABCOCK.

26. I would be true.

1. I would be true, for there are those who trust me ;
I would be pure, for there are those who care ;
I would be strong, there is much to suffer ;
I would be brave, for there is much to dare,
I would be brave, for there is much to dare.

2. I would be friend of all, the foe, the friendless ;
I would be giving, and forget the gift ;
I would be humble, for I know my weakness ;
I would look up, and laugh, and love and lift,
I would look up, and laugh, and love and lift.

—HOWARD A. WALTER.

27. Lead, Kindly Light

1. Lead, Kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
 Lead Thou me on ;
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
 Lead Thou me on.
Keep Thou my feet ; I do not ask to see
The distant scene ; one step enough for me.
2. I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou
 Shouldst lead me on ;
I loved to choose and see my path ; but now
 Lead Thou me on.
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will ; remember not past years.
3. So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still
 Will lead me on
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
 The night is gone
And with the morn those angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.

—JOHN H. NEWMAN.

28. Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love Divine, all loves excelling,
 Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
 All thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art :
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

2. Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive ;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

3. Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be,
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Change from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise !

—CHARLES WESLEY.

30. The King of Love

PSALM 23.

1. The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never ;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.
2. Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home rejoicing brought me.
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me ;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy Cross before to guide me.
5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight ;
Thy unction grace bestoweth ;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth.
6. And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never ;
Good shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever.

— SIR H. W. BAKER.

31. Be Still my Soul

1. Be still, my soul : the Lord is on thy side ;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain ;
Leave to thy God to order and provide ;
In every change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul : thy best, thy heavenly friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
2. Be still, my soul : thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake ;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul : the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

3. Be still, my soul : when dearest friends depart,
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.
Be still, my soul : thy Jesus can repay,
From His own fulness, all He takes away.
4. Be still, my soul : the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still my soul : when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

32. We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

1. We've a story to tell to the nations,
That shall turn their hearts to the right,
A story of truth and sweetness,
A story of peace and light.

Refrain : For the darkness shall turn to dawning
And the dawning to noonday bright,
And Christ's great Kingdom shall come on earth,
The Kingdom of love and light.

2. We've a song to be sung to the nations,
That shall lift their hearts to the Lord ;
A song that shall conquer evil,
And shatter the spear and sword.
3. We've a message to give to the nations,
That the Lord who reigneth above,
Hath sent us His Son to save us,
And show us that God is Love.

4. We've a Saviour to show to the nations,
Who the path of sorrow has trod,
That all of the world's great people,
Might come to the Truth of God.

—COLIN STERNE.

33. O Son of Man, Thou Madest Known

1. O Son of Man, Thou madest known,
Through quiet work in shop and home,
The sacredness of common things,
The chance of life that each day brings.
2. O workman true, may we fulfil,
In daily life Thy Father's will ;
In duty's call, Thy call we hear,
To fuller life, through work sincere.
3. Thou Master workman, grant us grace,
The challenge of our tasks to face ;
By loyal scorn of second best,
By effort true, to meet each test.
4. And thus we pray in deed and work,
Thy Kingdom come on earth, O Lord ;
In work that gives effect to prayer
Thy purpose for Thy world we share.

—REV. MILTON S. LITTLEFIELD.

34. Be Strong

1. Be strong : We are not here to play, to dream, to
drift
We have hard work to do and loads to lift ;
Shun not the struggle : face it, it's God's gift,
Be strong, be strong, be strong.

2. Be strong : Say not the days are evil, who's to blame ?

And fold the hands and acquiesce, O shame ;
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name,
Be strong, be strong, be strong.

3. Be strong : It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,

How hard the battle goes, the day, how long ;
Faint not, fight on : Tomorrow comes the song,
Be strong, be strong, be strong.

—REV. M. D. BABCOCK.

35. Hymn for End of College Term

1. Lord dismiss us with Thy blessing,
Thanks for mercies past receive ;
Pardon all their faults confessing ;
Time that's lost may all retrieve ;
May Thy children
Ne'er again Thy Spirit grieve.

2. Bless Thou all our days of leisure ;
Help us selfish lures to flee ;
Sanctify our every pleasure ;
Pure and blameless may it be :
May our gladness
Draw us evermore to Thee.

3. By Thy kindly influence cherish
All the good we here have gained ;
May all taint of evil perish
By thy mightier power restrain'd :
Seek we ever
Knowledge pure and love unfeign'd.

4. Let Thy Father-hand be shielding
All who here shall meet no more ;
May their seed time past be yielding
Year by year a richer store,
 Those returning,
Make more faithful than before.

—HENRY JAMES BUCKOLL.

36. Blest be the Tie that Binds

1. Blest be the tie that binds,
 Our hearts in Christian love ;
The fellowship of kindred minds,
 Is like to that above.
2. Before our Father's throne,
 We pour our ardent prayers,
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
 Our comforts and our cares.
3. We share our mutual woes,
 Our mutual burdens bear ;
And often for each other flows
 The sympathizing tear.
4. When we asunder part,
 It gives us inward pain ;
But we shall still be joined in heart
 And hope to meet again.
5. This glorious hope revives
 Our courage by the way,
While in expectation lives,
 And longs to see the day.

6. From sorrow, toil, and pain,
And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.

—REV. JOHN FAWCETT.

37. God Be With You Till We Meet Again

1. God be with you till we meet again,
By his counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you,
God be with you till we meet again.

Chorus : Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus' feet ;
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

2. God be with you till we meet again,
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you,
God be with you till we meet again.
3. God be with you till we meet again,
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put His arms unfailing round you,
God be with you till we meet again.
4. God be with you till we meet again,
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you,
God be with you till we meet again.

—REV. JEREMIAH E. RANKIN.

SECTION F.

POEMS.

1. Where live the poorest and lowliest, and lost

Here is Thy footstool and there rest thy feet—where live the poorest and lowliest, and lost.

When I try to bow to thee, my obeisance cannot reach down to the depth where thy feet rest among the poorest, and lowliest, and lost.

Pride can never approach to where thou walkest in the clothes of the humble—among the poorest, and lowliest, and lost.

My heart can never find its way to where thou keepest company with the companionless, among the poorest, the lowliest, and the lost.

—RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

2. A prayer for Freedom

Where the mind is without fear, and the head is held high,

Where knowledge is free ;

Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls ;

Where words come out from the depth of truth ;

Where tireless striving stretches its arms toward perfection ;

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit ;

Where the mind is led forward by thee into ever-widening thought and action...

Into that heaven of freedom.

My Father, let my country awake.

—RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

3. A Prayer for Strength

This is my prayer to thee, my Lord—strike, strike at the root of penury in my heart.

Give me the strength lightly to bear my joys and sorrows.

Give me the strength to make my love fruitful in service.

Give me the strength never to disown the poor or bend my knees before insolent might.

Give me the strength to raise my mind high above daily trifles.

And give me the strength to surrender my strength to thy will with love.

—RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

4. A Prayer for Communion with God

When the heart is hard and parched up, come upon me with a shower of mercy.

When grace is lost from life, come with a burst of song.

When tumultuous work raises its din on all sides shutting me out from beyond, come to me, my Lord of silence, with thy peace and rest.

When my beggarly heart sits crouched, shut up in a corner, break open the door, my King, and come with ceremony of a King.

When desire blinds the mind with delusion and dust, O thou holy one, thou wakeful, come with thy light and thy thunder.

—RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

5. A Prayer of Worship

Day after day, O Lord of my life, shall I stand before thee face to face ? With folded hands, O Lord of all worlds, shall I stand before thee face to face ?

Under thy great sky in solitude and silence with humble heart shall I stand before thee face to face ?

In this laborious world of thine, tumultuous with toil and with struggle, among hurrying crowds shall I stand before thee face to face ?

And when my work shall be done in this world, O King of Kings, alone and speechless shall I stand before thee face to face ?

—RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

6. A Prayer for Leaders

God give us men. A time like this demands,
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready
hands,

Men whom the lust of office does not kill,
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy,
Men who possess opinions and a will,

Men who have honour, men who will not lie,
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And damn his treacherous flatteries without
winking ;
Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog ;
In public duty and private thinking.

—J. G. HOLLAND.

7. The Word of God

Wherewith, shall a young man cleanse his way ?
By taking heed thereto according to thy word.

With my whole heart have I sought thee ; O let
me not wander from thy commandments.

Thy word have I laid up in my heart that I might
not sin against thee.

I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect
unto thy ways.

I will delight in thy statutes ; I will not forget thy
word.

Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous
things out of thy law.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto
my path.

The opening of thy words giveth light ; it giveth
understanding to the simple.

Order my footsteps in thy word ; and let not any
iniquity have dominion over me.

Thy word is very pure ; therefore thy servant
loveth thee.

8. The Canticle of the Sun

O most high, almighty, good Lord God, to thee belong praise, glory, honour and all blessing ;

Praised be my Lord God with all his creatures, and specially our brother the sun, who brings us the day and who brings us the light ; fair is he and shines with a very great splendour : O Lord, he signifies to us thee ;

Praised be my Lord for our sister the moon, and for the stars, the which he has set clear and lovely in heaven.

Praised be my Lord for our brother the wind, and for air and cloud, calms and all weather by the which thou upholdest life in all creatures.

Praised be my Lord for our sister water, who is very serviceable to us, and humble and precious and clean ;

Praised be my Lord for our brother fire, through whom thou givest us light in darkness ; and he is bright and pleasant and very mighty and strong ;

Praised be my Lord for our mother the earth, the which doth sustain us and keep us and bringeth forth divers fruits and flowers of many colours, and grass ;

Blessed be my Lord for all those who pardon one another for his love's sake, and who endure weakness and tribulation, blessed are they who peacably shall endure, for thou, O most Highest, shall give them a crown.

Praised be my Lord for our Sister the death of the body, from which no man escapeth. Woe to him who dieth in mortal sin ; Blessed are they who are found walking by thy most holy will for the second death shall have no power to do them harm.

—St. FRANCIS.

9. Our Lady of Poverty (In part only)

(Francis is supposed to be singing on his flute.)
She is most bright, radiant and beautiful
Who serveth her, his heart stays ever young ;
And wheresoever she goes free, he follows.
All that he hath is hers—what she hath, his ;
And not, as Fortune, shall she turn away.
The lover from her bounty.
Fortune hath bonds, which poverty unbindeth ;
Fortune is blind, but Poverty hath eyes,
Fortune is fickle, Poverty is faithful ;
Fortune is foolish : Poverty is wise ;
Fortune diminisheth : Poverty increaseth ;
Fortune departeth ; Poverty stays yoked.
Is not puffed up, doth not behave unseemly ;
Thinketh no evil, is not soon provoked.
All things she beareth, all things believeth,
All things she yieldeth, seeketh not her own.
Endureth, never faileth, comforteth.
So give I praise to Poverty alone.

—LAWRENCE HOUSMAN.

10. The Mark of a Christian

There are in this loud, stunning tide
Of human care and crime,
With whom the melodies abide
Of the everlasting chime ;
Who carry music in their heart,
Through dusty lane and wrangling mart,
Playing their task with busier feet,
Because their secret souls a sacred strain repeat.

Or streaming tear to dry,
 One kindred woe, one sorrowing face
 That smiles as we draw nigh :
 Long as at tale of anguish swells
 The heart, and lids grow wet,
 And at the sound of Christmas bells
 We pardon and forget.
 So long as Faith with Freedom reigns,
 And loyal Hope survives,
 And gracious Charity remains
 To leaven lowly lives ;
 While there is one untrodden tract
 For Intellect or Will,
 And men are free to think and act,
 Life is worth living still.

—ALFRED AUSTIN.

4. Peace on Earth

The men of the earth said : 'We must war
 As the men of the earth have warred ;
 'Tis ours to wield on the battle field
 The unrelenting sword.'
 But they who had seen the valiant die,
 The fathers of men, they answered 'Why' ?
 The men of the earth said : 'We must arm,
 For so we would reveal
 The nobler part of the human heart,
 The love of the nation's weal'.
 But they who had sung their lullaby,
 The mothers of men, they answered, 'Why' ?
 The men of the earth said : 'we must fight,
 For so the fit survive ;

By the jungle law of fang and claw
 The strong are kept alive.
 But the crippled cankered progeny,
 The sons of the fighters, they answered, 'Why' ?
 The men of the earth said : 'We must fall,
 And falling, build the road
 O'er which the race with quickening pace
 Can find its way to God.'
 But down from a Cross uplifted high,
 The Saviour of men, He answered, 'Why' ?

—ROBERT FREEMAN.

15. Pass on the Torch

Pass on the torch, pass on the flame ;
 Remember whence the Glory came ;
 And eyes are on you as you run,
 Beyond the shining of the sun.
 Lord God, we take the torch from Thee ;
 We must be true, we must be free ;
 And clean of heart and strong of soul
 To bear the Glory of its goal.
 O Lord of life, to Thee we kneel ;
 Maker of men, our purpose seal ;
 We will, from honour of Thy name,
 Pass on the torch, pass on the flame.

—ALLEN E. CROSS.

16. In My Father's House

"In my Father's house there are many mansions."
 St. John, XIV : 2.

1. No not beneath the grasses,
 Not close walled within the tomb ;
 Rather, in my Father's mansion,
 Living in another room.

2. Living, like the one who loves me,
Like my child with cheeks abloom,
Out of sight, at desk or school-book,
Busy in another room.
3. Nearer than my son whom fortune
Beckons where the strange lands loom
Just behind the hanging curtain,
Serving in another room.
4. Shall I doubt my Father's mercy ?
Shall I think of death as doom ?
Or the stepping o'er the threshold,
To a bigger brighter room ?
5. Shall I blame my Father's wisdom ?
Shall I sit enswathed in gloom ?
When I know my loves are happy
Waiting in another room.

—ROBERT FREEMAN.

17. Only a Step

1. Only a step removed,
And that step into bliss :
Our own, our dearly loved,
Whom here on earth we miss.
2. Not shrouded in the dark,
But veiled by purest light ;
Each safely anchored bark,
Now hidden from our sight.
3. Not hushed the pleasant song
That used to greet our ear ;
But, 'mid the angel throng,
Sounding more sweet and clear.

4. Not passed away the love
 So rich, so true, so pure ;
 But perfected above,
 And ever to endure.
5. Only a step removed,
 We soon again shall meet,
 Our own, our dearly loved,
 Around the Saviour's feet.

—SARAH GERALDINA STOCE.

18. The Ways

To every man there openeth
A way, and ways, and a way ;
And the high soul climbs the high way,
And the low soul gropes the low.
And in between, on the misty flats
The rest drift to and fro,
But to every man there openeth
A high way, and a low,
And every man decideth,
The way his soul shall go.

—JOHN OXENHAM.

19. Duty

So nigh is grandeur to our dust,
So near is God to man,
When duty whispers low, thou must,
The youth replies, 'I can'.

—RALPH WALDO EMERSON.

20. Duty.

When duty comes a knocking at your gate,
Welcome him on, for if you bid him wait,
He will depart only to come once more
And bring seven other duties to your door.

—EDWIN MARKHAM.

21. Good Deeds

How far the little candle throws his beams ;
So shines a good deed in a naughty world,
Heaven doth with us as we with torches do ;
Not light them for themselves : for if our virtues
Did not go forth from us ; 'twere all alike
As if we had them not.

—WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE.

22. A Creed

There is a destiny that makes us brothers,
None goes his way alone ;
All that we send into the lives of others
Comes back into our own.

I care not what his temples or his creeds,
One thing holds firm and fast—
That into his fateful heap of days and deeds
The soul of a man is cast.

—EDWIN MARKHAM.

23. Preparedness

For all your days prepare,
And meet them ever alike,
When you are the anvil, bear—
When you are the hammer, strike.

—EDWIN MARKHAM.

This is the word that year by year,
While in her place the school is set,
Every one of her sons must hear,
And none that hears it dare forget.
This they all with joyful mind,
Bear through life like a torch in flame,
And falling, fling to the host behind
"Play up : Play up : and play the game."

—HENRY NEWBOLT.

Allahabad Agricultural Institute's Songs.

1. The Institute's the place.

The Institute's the place for those
Who love both work and play,
Books and picnics, teas and classes too,
Essays, note-books, sports and play days,
Friends both old and new,
Songs and talks to end a perfect day.

Sunsets from the river bund,
Boatrides now and then,
Parties, sing-songs, hostel bells,
Can't come back again.

So we'll do the best we can to make it all remain,
In our hearts to cheer us later on,
May she bring to others what from us will soon be gone
Making all her friends an endless chain.

Adapted from a Wilson College Song
—By Miss Katherine Hoffman.

2. Agricultural Institute

(For Home Economics Girl Students)

We plow a field and sew a seam and
milk a cow just right.

We conquer soils and chemistry,

We study with all our might.

For while we work at the Institute

We are working for India, too,

That all her sons and daughters

May live full lives and true.

Chorus : Agricultural Institute,
Greater be thy name !
The land is great and we are small,
Yet may this be our aim,
That as we have been served by you,
We may serve our India, too.

There's fun and fellowship for all,
When the long day's work is through ;
And laughter and music oft resounds
Across the Jumna Blue,
For by work and play at the Institute,
Our hearts and minds grow strong ;
That as India's sons and daughters,
We may join her happy throng.

Chorus : Agricultural Institute, etc.

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Music by Mrs. T.W. Millen.

APPENDIX

1. The Confession of St. Augustine.
2. The Little Flower of St. Francis.
3. Imitation of Christ, by Thomas A. Kempis.
4. The Thoughts of Pascal (Mathuen's Library of Devotions).
5. The practice of the Presence of God by Br. Lawrence.
6. Holy Living and Holy Dying by Jeremy Taylor.
7. A Chain of Prayers Across the Ages by Dr. Selina Fox.
8. Building the Walls.
9. The Temple.
10. Divine Service for Public Worship by Frowde.
11. Prayers for the City of God by G. C. Binyon.
12. Prayers of Social Awakening by W. Rausenbusch.
13. A Book of Prayer for Students—S.C.M. Press, London.
14. Great Souls at Prayer by Tileston.
15. Christ and Prayer by C. F. Andrews.
16. Christ in the Silence—C. F. Andrews.